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NGAA-East (formerly the National Geospatial/Intelligence Alumni Association-NGIAA and the Defense Mapping and Charting Alumni Association-DMCA founded in 1980) provides a way for current and retired DMA/NIMA/NGA employees to keep in contact and exchange information, ideas, and experiences. Currently, NGAA-East has almost 400 active and associate members.

We would like to use the Internet as much as possible to communicate information to you. If you have just acquired e-mail, and have not given it to us, please do so now.

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The NGAA-East Fall 2015 Luncheon – The Fall 2015 Luncheon will be held at the NGA Campus-East (NCE) on **Monday, 16 November 2015**. NGA plans a series of briefings for the NGAA. It should be an interesting discussion! Please save the date and watch for further details (meal, cost, parking, etc) and instructions (Security clearance form and recipient) via email! Only the SF85 submitted in May 2015 is good and requires just the authorization page, all others must resubmit a new SF85 for the security clearance. NGA will take our suggestions under advisement when deciding on briefings, also keeping in mind their desire to brief us on breaking news or initiatives about which we are not aware.

Save the date and please plan to join us!

From the President: This is my last newsletter column and it is a pleasure. And, yes, I do intend to have a double meaning in that sentence.

First and most importantly is my pleasure of serving for the past two years on the NGAA-East Chapter Executive Board as President and the two years before that as President-Elect. And of course there are the remaining two years of 2016/17 as Past President (one year of which will have a concurrent year as Chairman of the NGAA Board of Directors--the umbrella Board over the NGAA East and West Chapters). The pleasure in all these positions derives not from the hours and work involved but from service to the membership and watching the Association grow both in membership and in capabilities. The membership growth from 330 in January 2014 to 398 in September 2015 is due in large measure to the support we receive from NGA and the access they give us to current employees. Director Tish Long's assistance and leadership was the key factor in the formation of the Association and then Director Robert Cardillo, OCC Director Bill Caniano and their staffs continue to personally make NGAers aware of the Alumni Association and when possible give us direct access to "pitch" our story. Direct access includes venues such as Family Day where we set up a booth and Career Transition/Onward Bound sessions where we provide alumni to participate in panels or give presentations about NGAA. The capabilities increase is due entirely to the individual efforts of the Executive Board members. I am happy to give guidance/take suggestions and then get out of the way so as not to impede success. Improvement of our semi-annual meetings at NGA and the associated briefings, innovative Happy Hour and winery tour events and a reinvigorated oral history program are but examples of their exemplary work. Secondly, on a realistic level there is pleasure in "moving on" and taking some of the stress out of life while at the same time knowing that in two years things will be even better under the leadership of Roy Combs and his Executive Board. We are exceptionally lucky to have him at the helm and he will be blessed with a strong supporting cast once the election results are final. The new Executive Board, however, will continue to need your help. Please continue to offer suggestions for future NGAA programs and initiatives. This plus your active involvement in events when possible are the keys to our continued growth and strength as an organization. Thank you for your vote of confidence that enabled me to be of service to NGAA-E.

Best wishes to you and to the organization.

Dave Burpee, President NGAA-East

NGAA-East Meeting NGAA-East Spring Meeting at NCE 27 May 2015 NGA honored NGAA-E members once again by inviting the organization to meet at the NCE and attend a series of briefings on current activities and issues. More than fifty members and guests participated in the luncheon and the induction of new members into the Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame and reception, which followed.

Briefings consisted of an update on the Map of the World status and capabilities, NGA Cyber activities, a briefing on Legal Opportunities and Challenges, and Commercial Imagery Utility and Future Trends. Thanks to all the NGA personnel who prepared and conducted these informative briefings!

NGA took a group photo in the Atrium and gave hardcopy prints and a digital version to NGAA-E. The digital version will be provided to all members and the hardcopy is available upon request to any who did not receive theirs during the gathering.



NGAA Group Photo (picture courtesy of NGA)

We then had our luncheon and an excellent talk by the NGA Deputy Director, Ms. Sue Gordon. She discussed her background in In-Q-Tel and as the CIA senior advisor for Cyber, then spoke on the three core initiatives Mr. Cardillo (D NGA), is focusing on: Activity Based Intelligence (ABI), Mission-Talent Alignment (MTA) and GEOINT Services. Speaking on ABI, she said that understanding temporal changes is increasingly important in today's environment. On MTA, NGA is creating an Agency-wide career service to manage career experiences and training. Ms. Gordon discussed smart people (recent college grads) and wise people (experiences in solving hard problems). She referenced the TED talk, "After Midnight" (www.ted.com) as an example of a view of how fast the world changes and our need to recognize and respond to those changes. "The era of geospatial is upon us." While cyber is important, Sue sees today as the era of geospatial GEOINT services are NGA's obligation to the community and must expose data in a way that it can be used. NGA has to operate in the open and the IC and NGA are moving to an open, standards-based architecture. "Big data isn't interesting—the bigness of data is interesting". Sue talked about the solutions available in big data and the need for a geospatial reference for all the data. NGA has open source apps available via their GitHub offering. (Note: for more information on GitHub, see <https://www1.nga.mil/MediaRoom/LeadingStories/Pages/GitHubGovernmentEvangelistvisitsNGA.aspx>)

NGA recently supported Nepal earthquake relief in an unclassified environment. There were challenges with releasing data from contractors and identifying authorities but NGA did so in less than 48 hours. Ms. Gordon discussed

Amazon Mechanical Turks (crowd sourcing) as a model for GEOINT Mechanical Turks (Note: for information on Amazon Mechanical Turks see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amazon_Mechanical_Turk)

Ms. Gordon described the following as “on her plate”: Making IC ITE real - NGA is working with DIA to lead deployment of the common desktop, Cyber – where the physical and digital worlds intersect in a meaningful way. Finally, she discussed working to improve the acquisition process. NGA can benefit from more results and less process, and is working on how to better user tools.

NGAA-E members and guests then moved to the Alder Auditorium for the Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame ceremony. The NGA Hall of Fame was renamed to create a more inclusive honor for any significant contributors to geospatial intelligence. This ceremony witnessed the first non-NGA, non-US inductee, Constance Babington Smith. Mrs. Smith was a pioneer in the field of aircraft-based photographic interpretation in the Royal Air Force during WWII. Accepting the posthumous honor was her great nephew. The second inductee was Dr. Robert Ballew, a principal developer of WGS 60 and WGS 66 and the technical leader at ACIC. Accepting his posthumous honor was his daughter. The third inductee was Mr. Geoffrey H. Langsam, a senior DIA official who directed significant imagery intelligence practices within DIA and across the DoD. Dr. Robert Ballew, who played an integral part in the development of the Department of Defense's World Geodetic System, was honored at a luncheon following his induction into the Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame on May 27. The luncheon, at Tucker's in Soulard, was hosted by the St. Louis Old Techies organization and followed a ceremony at NGA headquarters in Washington, televised to St. Louis and other NGA locations. NGA Director Robert Cardillo honored the late Dr. Ballew along with two others: the late Constance Babington Smith, a pioneer in the field of aircraft-based photographic interpretation, and Geoffrey H. Langsam, who helped develop and refine imagery analysis. Dr. Ballew's daughter Paula, who lives in St. Louis, travelled to Washington to accept on behalf of the Ballew family.



**St. Louis “Old Techies” Honor Bob Ballew, One of Three
New Members of the Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame**

**Left to right back row: Dave Alspaugh, Dale Crittenden, John Novak, Bill Heidbreder, Joe Goines.
Front row: John Unruh, Ray Helmering, James St. Clair, Gordon Barnes, John Lefman.**

The Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame, formerly known as the NGA Hall of Fame, was renamed to increase the award's scope and give better recognition to GEOINT tradecraft; The Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame allows recognition not only of persons who worked at NGA or one of its heritage organizations, but to others who have had a profound effect on the field of geospatial intelligence.

A reception followed the GI HoF ceremony. Attendees were then given an opportunity to visit (and buy) at the NGA CWC store before leaving the NCE. Many thanks are due to the staff involved in preparation, briefings and security. Of special note include Sue Gordon for her excellent talk, Bill Caniano for his informative remarks and support as the OCC Director, Vanessa Segars in the Public Affairs Office for organizing the event, the briefers who provided useful information on critical issues. Thanks also to Tracy Tenney, Sergio Ramirez and Eileen Jacobs for their work processing all the SF85 forms that enabled our access to the briefings, the Sodexo staff for a great luncheon and the CWC store for a special opening for us.

NGAA E Board Meeting 6/17/15 The treasurer's report indicates that we have \$6,679.43 in our bank account. Our treasurer Paul Mich recommended that we allow members to pay for activities via Pay Pal in addition to check or cash. This was approved. Dave and Al led a discussion about involving NGAA-E in performing oral histories with past former colleagues. The first subject will be Irene Fischer and will involve interviewing 4 of her living relatives. If members have a recommended subject, please let us know. NGAA-E board members have an interest in having NGA post death notices on the NGA Intranet. Dave will discuss with Bill Caniano. Dave ensured that NGAA had representation at the upcoming Onward Bound NGA retirement programs. For upcoming NGAA-E elections, Dave appointed Dennis Drum, Joe Steel and Paul Mich on the nomination committee, and Katy Smith, Ange Meoli, and himself for the election committee. Dave Burpee will move from NGAA-E president to the NGAA president, and Roy will move from president elect to president of the NGAA-E. Dave indicated that NGA or USGIF has not asked NGAA-E for any support towards their Certification programs, and that Dave will check again for any interest. The next NGAA-E newsletter will be in September, and Joe Steel requested articles from members. Joe and Paul indicated they hosted happy hour and wine tour/tasting events. Joe will send out a note to see if any NGAA-E members in Maryland are interested in hosting a happy hour in Maryland. Given our existing funds in our bank account, we next discussed potential uses of the funds. Joe Steel kicked off the discussion and others joined in with ideas on two main topics: First, did we want to consider spending some of our money; and, second how might the money be spent. There was general consensus that spending part of the money on an annual basis was an idea worth pursuing. A partial list of suggestions discussed as possible ideas were:

- A scholarship
- Provide a discount on events we sponsor where participants are required to buy a ticket (e.g. a ballgame)
- Support social events (e.g. a happy hour gatherings)
- Provide gas/parking/meal reimbursement for individuals who provide a service to NGAA-E.

ACTIONS:

- Board members and staff provide to Dave Burpee ideas with rationale over the next few months but NLT Aug 11 re how we might redistribute some funds back to members. (Deadline is based on my departure out of state on Aug 18 and return the day before our meeting)
- Dave will consolidate all the inputs, put the topic on the agenda for our Aug 31 meeting and provide copies of all ideas to the Board members NLT Aug 17.
- Board members discuss and decide way-ahead on Aug 31 (do we want to do it: if so, how do we want to spend the money; how much should we budget each year).

August 2015 NGAA-E Board Meeting: Financial: Paul: currently we have \$6794 in the CFCU. As of December 2013 we had \$4048. We currently have around 398 members. Annual costs are around \$400 per yr. We had a discussion on potential items to spend money on. Earlier suggested items included:

- Encourage members to join Map Society of the LoC. Show the way by donating \$1000 in the name of ten new members. The Philip Lee Phillips Society Map Society of the Library of Congress has been established to further develop, enhance and promote the collections of the Geography and Map Division by encouraging financial donations to supplement appropriated funds for the acquisition of rare maps; stimulating interest among map collectors, map producers, geographers, cartographers, and historians in order to make the vast resources of the nation's premier cartographic and geographic collections more widely available.
- Offer \$1000 scholarship to senior in high school or college student majoring in a STEM subject. Limit the application to one page. Make award at spring 2016 luncheon. Student must be direct descendant of member.
- Distribute \$10 at happy hour to each member who brings another member to the event as a way to encourage attendance. This should buy them each their first drink.
- Provide gas/parking/meal reimbursement for individuals who provide a service to NGAA-E, (e.g. if Donita teaches an oral history class outside her residence).
- Donate to the NGA support group for deployed personnel and their families.
- Annual \$500 Scholarship for college bound student.
- Annual \$250 Subsidy for social event(s) (winery visit, happy hour, lunch, other at the Board discretion).
- The Wounded Warrior Project. Donate \$300.00 annually to the Project (\$25.00 a month), in perpetuity.

We agreed that we should target funds towards both social and altruistic topics. We recommend funding a Scholarship program at \$500/yr. After a year we can reevaluate to see if we could increase funding. We need a sponsor for the scholarship program. Paul agreed to draft a message to entire NGAA-E to see if anyone wants to head up the scholarship effort. A potential avenue was to target NGA interns. We also recommend that we budget \$500/year for social events as they come up. This could be for a wine tasting event, a happy hour or a luncheon or other events as they are defined.

Fall meeting -- status and way ahead: Dennis to follow up with Ange to ensure that Ange will speak with Vanessa about ensuring the agenda and lunch will work. The proposed topics were discussed, and Dennis will send out the full list and all Board members will vote on their top 5 topics and send back to Dennis. The top 5 topics will then be sent to NGA as NGAA-E recommended topics for the Fall 2015 meeting at NCE.

Family Day. 12 Sept. 1000-1400. Roy to attend and man the NGAA-E booth, and Roy will ask others to join him.

Career transition panel. 9 Sept. 1000-1200 Paul to look for recent retirees for interest and send note to see if anyone can support.

Onward bound. NGA has received dates for the upcoming contract year of the Retirement courses. The NGAA opportunity to discuss NGAA-E is always scheduled for Day 3 @12:30-12:45pm.

NCE Sessions: 15-17 Sep 15, 14-16 Oct 15, 18-20 Nov 15, 9-11 Dec 15, 3-5 Feb 16, 9-11 Mar 16. Dave will send out a note to see if these dates can be accommodated.

Web Site discussion: It was recommended that Board Members review portions of the NGAA-E website and coordinate with Ange on potential changes: As per below, officers will review and suggest new content to the NGAA-E web page for Ange to update.

Home, About Us: **Katy**

Constitution and By-laws, Join Us, Feedback: **Dave**

Notices and Newsletters, What Are They Doing Now: **Joe**

Our Colleagues and Affiliates, Member Information: **Paul**

Our History/Member, In Memoriam: **Dennis**

Nomination Committee report (Dennis Drum, Paul Mich, Joe Steel): Sharon Flowers has agreed to run for secretary, Joe to run for president elect. Paul to run for treasurer. Dennis to run for Vice President. Roy to be President. Paul will document the process that the nomination committee used to find new potential officers and send to the Board.

Election Committee (Katy Smith, Dave Burpee, Ange Meoli): For the ballot, members will have the option of email or hard copy response. Katy will draft up the ballot to send to all NGAA-E. The ballot will be send via email and via mail to members that do not have email.

Oral History projects update: Irene Fischer's oral history is underway and led by Al Anderson. We recommended that the oral history be added to NGAA website. The NGA historian plans to identify who they would like to interview on the NGAA membership. 6 NGAA members have agreed to be interviewers for oral history and will be trained by Donita Moorhaus on 23 Sept. The training will be offered to St Louis NGAA-W interested parties via phone. Transcription of the verbal tapes is TBD.

SkyTruth update (Al): Al relayed that John Amos discussed global illegal fishing and how crowd sourcing could be used to monitor. They are already monitoring fracking sites. Sky truth plans to pursue a CRADA with NGA.

Newsletter (Joe): Joe indicated that the Fall newsletter will go out in September/October, and he asked for topics from NGAA-E Officers.

Next events (happy hour, etc): Joe suggested Sept 17 as the date for the next happy hour at McCormick and Schmicks in Reston 5-7 pm. Joe will draft a note for Ange to send out to all members. He will include a note for others that may be interested in hosting a happy hour in Maryland or other location. Paul will move forward with asking Clyde Housel for dates when another wine tasting event could happen at his winery.

Welcome to some of our new NGA-E Members: We always ask new members to provide some information about themselves that we can share with our membership; here are two new members you may remember from work at NGA:

John Westcott: Hi all, here are some brief bio details in my career:



The Boeing Company October 2003-August 2014: Director Business Development GEOINT Programs I provided direction and oversight for all aspects of business development in Electronic and Information Solutions

Central Intelligence Agency January 1966-September 2003: Deputy Director - Geoscout Program Office NIMA; Director - Integrated Production Office Operations Directorate NIMA; Member - NIMA Planning and Standup Team; Joint Duty Assignment to DMA Director of Acquisition; Special Assistant Director – NPIC; Chief - Technical Operations Group DCI Counter Narcotics Center; Chief - Imagery Studies Group NPIC; Chief - Priority Exploitation Group NPIC; Member - Senior Intelligence Service CIA 1986-2003

My wife Pam and I have three grown children (Wendy, Susan and Matt) .They have produced 6 grandchildren that range in age from 25 to 1 Year. We have all the bases covered! We both like travel and this year we'll hit the Cayman Islands, San Diego, London UK, and finally Oahu, Maui and then San Francisco. I've established JohnWestcottAssociates LLC to keep my hand in and have volunteered with USGIF to help them with GEOINT planning. I'm the USGIF rep to NCLG (the NGA liars club too).

Col (Ret) Ray Miller: Not much to tell really in regards to NIMA.....I served about 16 months from March 2000 - June 2001 in the Office of Congressional Affairs as a Senior Congressional Specialist focusing on the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC), the Senate Appropriations Committee - Defense (SAC-D), and of course the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI). I was at NIMA at the same time that Dave Burpee was in Office of Public Affairs, and Dave and I have enjoyed our friendship now for over 15 years. Dave was the one who finally got me to join NGA-E. Before NIMA I spent almost 28 years in the Army and retired as a Colonel in February 1999. My branch was Air Defense Artillery and I did the typical Army assignments, but my last assignment in the Army was as the Deputy Director, Congressional Activities Division in the Pentagon from 1997-1999. While in the Army I also served a Congressional Fellowship working in the office of Senator John Warner, R-VA, from 1992-1993. At that time, Senator Warner was the Chairman of the SASC.

After I retired I went back to Johns Hopkins University and got a Masters in Government, deciding that I wanted to continue to work with Congress in some manner in a Defense and/or Intelligence organization and NIMA was my first civilian job after my military retirement with a new focus/career after graduate school. I was hired at NIMA along with another retired Army Colonel (Dan McGill) and I enjoyed my time at NIMA.

After NIMA, I thought I was going to stay retired, but 9/11 occurred and I needed to go back and serve in some manner. So I went to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the Office of Legislative Affairs, where I was given responsibility for working with Congress on a new Terrorism Preparedness Program. But my interest remained heavily in Appropriations at FEMA. My last assignment at FEMA was as the Director of Appropriations, Office of the Chief Financial Officer - working FEMA budget issues with the Appropriations Committees. I retired from FEMA and the federal government in February 2011 and have loved being retired and I now travel extensively.

I am married for over 40 years to Kathy Miller; two children a son who is a Police Officer here in Virginia and a daughter who works for Marriott in Denver, CO. I am originally from Massachusetts, but the 28 years in the Army had me serving over 7 years in Germany and of course numerous places stateside. Have resided in Virginia for over 27 years and now call Virginia home. My interests include golf, travel, wine tasting, and my gorgeous granddaughters Riley who is 9 and Reese who is 7, both here in Virginia.

New NGA-E Scholarship Program: The NGA-E Board recommended funding a Scholarship Program at \$500 for the 2016/2017 school year. Initial thoughts are to model it off of existing programs such as at Constellation Credit Union or the USGIF processes. The NGA-E board is seeking a member to become the sponsor for the scholarship program. This person would head up this scholarship effort, research current processes, recommend an approach to the NGA-E board for approval, and then manage the selection process. After the initial year, the intent is to reevaluate to see if funding could be increased.

Interested members should submit their name to Joe Steel. It is hoped a member will step forward and head up this worthy program. Let us know if you are interested in supporting needy scholars!

Happy Hour: NGAA-E hosted our latest happy hour at McCormick and Schmicks bar in Reston Town Center on Sept 17th.



We had about 12 members come out and have a good time and catch up with everyone. We expect to host happy hours in the Reston area several times a year, so don't fret if you couldn't make this first one. If you don't live near Reston and are interested in meeting your friends closer to where you live, let us know if you can serve as host and we will help advertise the event to other NGAA-E members.

Wine-Tasting and Picnic Lunch Planned for October 22, 2015



NGAA members and guests, and all former NGA and heritage employees, are invited to participate October 22 at Hiddencroft Vineyards outside Lovettsville, VA. This charming winery (www.hiddencroftvineyards.com) was founded in May 2008 by husband and wife, Clyde and Terry Housel. The couple, who came from long careers with NGA and its predecessors, began planting their vineyard in 2001 and were grape-growers first.

The Housel's decided from the beginning that they would focus on producing grapes, and then wines, of superior quality. Clyde, who is the winemaker and largely self-taught, is doing just that. Hiddencroft wines are approachable and readily drinkable. The red wines see plenty of barrel time...between 22 and 42 months. The whites are complex and show the characteristics of the terroir...fruit, flowers and spice.



The event will start at noon. The picnic lunch is planned to consist of cold lunch meats, cheeses, bread/buns, prepared fruit and veggie trays, chips and dips, and water/soda. Depending on the weather and number of attendees, the event will be held in the old farm house, rustic barn, or large barrel-shaped patio. The cost is \$20 per person which includes the wine-tasting fee and picnic lunch. It is about a 50-minute drive from Tysons Corner via the toll road without traffic.

Registration closes October 19, 2015! For more information contact Paul Mich at 571-287-1707 or Paulfmich@aol.com. Mail \$20 per person (include names of guests) to:

Paul Mich
1308 Rock Chapel RD
Herndon VA 20170

Membership in NGAA Recruit!

Members of the NGAA-East Chapter Executive Board often hear the following question: How can I help? For many, unfortunately, the various answers – serve on a committee, attend meetings, write an article, etc. – don't fit with the particular individual's interests or abilities (e.g. live too far away to attend a meeting).

There is one thing, however, that each member can do and that is recruiting another member. Our rolls are **close to 400** strong now and if in **the next year** we each brought in one person we would be at more than **800** and after that the base would be strong, vibrant and stable.

Hopefully each of you can commit to bringing a friend or professional acquaintance into the group. When you approach someone they will of course ask: What does it cost and what are the benefits? To assist you, some "talking points" are provided below. If you have questions or if your friend(s) want to talk with someone else about membership, please contact a member of the Board.

THANKS in advance for your active recruitment on behalf of NGAA-East. Your efforts are really helping as evidenced by the large increase in NGAA-E membership lately!

- Cost is \$40 for lifetime membership
- Periodic newsletter to stay in touch with activities involving all NGAA and other alumni groups
- Roster with contact information of all members (not to be shared outside the membership)
- Spring and fall luncheons, one or both of which are held at NGA at their invitation. Typically coincide with award ceremonies and/or optional classified presentations (attendees required to apply for one-day interim Secret clearances)
- Annual NGAA-East selection of an "NGA East Employee of the Year" from NGA nominees who have contributed significantly to the Agency's mission and their community. Selection is from NGA Campus East nominees
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with NGA on a variety of topics
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with the United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF) on a variety of topics
- Opportunity to have input on issues brought to NGAA-East by NGA, e.g. development of an annual calendar to mark Agency milestones
- Opportunities for professional contributions to NGA's Pathfinder magazine as well as submissions to NGA paper/electronic internal employee communication capabilities
- Official venue to provide artifacts and/or memorabilia about NGA and predecessor organizations to NGA, USGIF, the Spy Museum and others
- Support to NGA exhibits and displays
- Ability to nominate former employees to the NGA Hall of Fame
- Interface with other Intelligence Community alumni groups through the Intelligence Community Alumni Network (ICAN); provides additional linkage with former colleagues
- Access to Chapter information (and applications) at www.ngaaeast.org

For Prospective Members

The Constellation Federal Credit Union (CFCU) has agreed to sponsor the NGAA-East chapter. The CFCU will pay the current \$40.00 NGAA-East chapter lifetime membership fee for any new applicant who has been a Credit Union member in good-standing for a minimum of two years, if the CFCU has not previously funded the applicant's membership in the Association of Mapping Seniors. The agreement provides that the CFCU will also support special NGAA functions from time-to-time. We thank CFCU for its support. Please visit the CFCU website, <https://www.constellationfcu.org>, to learn more about their services.

Your Name _____
Your Address _____
Name of Eligible Relative/Co-worker you are referring to CFCU _____

*Offer requires that referral card must be presented at the time of account opening. Must meet eligibility requirement. To receive any of the rewards described, the person being referred must not be an existing member of Constellation Federal Credit Union in any capacity and must not have been a member who closed their membership within the last 6 months. Accounts closed by CFCU will be under review. A referring member may receive multiple incentives for referring multiple new members who meet the criteria for membership and the offer. Any referral cards missing information will not be eligible. We reserve the right not to credit the referrer's account until there is activity on the new account. A minimum of 3 financial transactions of at least \$20/transaction is required before the \$25 incentive is deposited into the referrer's account. Once it is determined that the referred member meets the criteria for this program, the referring member will receive a deposit in their account by Constellation Federal Credit Union within 30 days. Constellation Federal Credit Union reserves the right to terminate this program at any time.



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Refer a member and we'll give you \$25

1. Fill out the back of this card.
2. Have the new member submit the card at the account opening.
3. When the new account is opened, we'll deposit \$25.00 into your CFCU account.*
Plus, we'll pay the new member's \$5.00 initial deposit.



NGAA and the *Pathfinder*

As many of you may have noted, the *Pathfinder* – NGA's corporate magazine – has published articles about our Alumni Association. These articles reflect the excellent rapport between NGAA and NGA but more importantly are a result of the quality of suggested articles from our membership. NGAA will continue to have opportunities to submit articles for consideration by the *Pathfinder*. All submissions must be of the highest professional caliber and meet the publication requirements announced by the *Pathfinder* (e.g. number of words). NGAA members will be notified by e-mail about future opportunities, including more detailed data about the submissions (e.g. any desired focus areas). Please watch for notification of publication opportunities and consider sharing your knowledge and experience. Any articles submitted that are not accepted by the NGAA Board of Directors or that are not published by the *Pathfinder* will be candidates for publication on the NGAA Web site. In fact, articles can be submitted at any time for that purpose. Contact the NGAA Webmaster, ngaaeastexec@aol.com for approval.

NGA Career Transition Seminar Participation

NGA continues to host Career Transition Program (CTP) Panels as part of the NGA Career Transition Seminars. NGAA-East members have been featured as panel participants for a series of NGA Career Transition Seminars. The usual format is an introduction and overview of NGAA, followed by a discussion by each of the panel members of their experience at NGA, and with retiring and working post-retirement. Feedback from the panels noted that all panel members gave great advice on finding employment, self-employment, volunteer work, balancing time and finding what is right with their needs/wants -- all information that is relevant to the purpose of the program. Especially valuable was the different perspectives that the various panel members were able to provide. A Question and Answer session normally follows the individual panel member discussions. Here are some of the questions asked of panel members:

- How do we connect with NGA and predecessor organizations alumni/groups?
- How did you go about adjusting to retirement the first month?
- What were your biggest challenges when you began your job search after leaving NGA?
- How did you acquire your position? What job search methods did you use?
- How long did it take you to find a position? How many positions did you apply for? How many interviews did you have? What are some of the questions you were asked during the interview?
- What is the single most important piece of advice you would give us as we retire from NGA?
- Did any of you consider self-employment or working for a non-profit when you left NGA? Or start up your own business (such as

government contracting?)

- What problems have you encountered while retired and your spouse is still working?
- More community commitment versus less commitment?
- Is there a monthly lunch with retirees? If so, when and where?

NGAA-East provides retirees for the NGA Career Transition Panel: NGA once again asked for NGAA-East assistance with their Career Transition Program on September 9th. This is a panel session where each person talks about their experience in transitioning from NGA and/or provides tips about how to make the transition more effective. The talk is short and the rest of the time is spent on Q/A. One person opens with a few brief words about the NGAA to potentially solicit interest in membership.

NGA requested recent retirees (less than five years) with relevant experience with the retirement/transition process being most important. NGA would particularly like participation from women who have made a transition to the private sector. We were seeking a diverse panel (e.g. male/female, SES/Band Employees, individuals who transitioned to corporate jobs/started own company/independent contractor/full retirement) to accommodate the diverse interests of the NGA participants.

An email was sent to some 75 NGAA-East members who joined in the last 18 months. Four candidates responded to the quick turn-around request and all four candidates were referred to NGA. Thanks to Dan Twomey, Jr., Robert L. Perry, Susan Allersmeyer, and Greg Arnold.

Members who are interested in participating as panel members should contact Roy Combs roycombs@cox.net. We are particularly interested in those that have recent, relevant experience with the retirement process.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW?

If you have pictures to share of events, trips, etc., please send them to Ange Meoli, 3020 North Ridge Rd, #110, Ellicott City, MD 21043; 301-661-9378 cell; or ngaeastexec@aol.com along with a few lines describing the content. Or, if you have a narrative of your volunteer activities, a second (or third) career, an event, trip, or other item of interest that is appropriate to share, send that to the same address. Here are a few we have received recently.

Francesco (Frank) Calabrese

July 1959 – September 2015 Bangkok Thailand > “R&R” Site Revisited: The afternoon’s daily seasonal rain cascades from the darkening skies and pounds nosily against the large picture windows of the Bangkok University Graduate School. It is reflectively easy to drift back 56 years when those rains would pour over the flimsy canvass roof of a U.S. Army issue Jeep and leak in around the acrylic windows of the loosely framed and fastened doors. The jungle canopy softened the impact of the semi-torrential sized raindrops, and lulled one into a quiet, womb like meditative state of wellbeing while awaiting the rain’s cessation. Thence, to again venture forth, seeking to validate the location of the control point marked and “pricked” through the aerial photography in hand.

In July of 1959 the former French Indo China countries of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia were in various stages of uncertain turmoil. The short forays into Thailand (“Land of the Free”) served as a welcome respite for each of the three (3) person Project Engineer Cambodia-Thailand (PEC-T) office staff based in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The three, now U.S. Army Civilians, had crossed the Pacific in December, 1956 as part of a 3,000 person active duty U.S. Army group; all but eight (8) of the group disembarked at Inchon, Korea on the 10th day of the voyage. The final eight went ashore at Yokohama, Japan on the 12th day of the passage. Those eight settled into barracks of the 29th Engineer Topographic Battalion, 8055th AU supporting the U.S. Army Map Service, Far East (USAMSFE), at Ikebukuro, Oji Camp, Tokyo – a former U.S. Army Security Agency installation. With the exception of a small cadre of “Non-Coms”, the majority of the “troops” shared basic enlisted rank (Private to Specialist E- 4) and at least a Bachelor’s College Degree in various disciplines. This AU (Auxiliary Unit) of some 40 personnel supported the USAMSFE Topographic Mapping and Engineer Intelligence (HUMINT-Type) activities for Topo Maps and Intelligence Dossiers in the Pacific Area Theater of Operations, headquartered in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Upon completion of their 2 year active duty tour, selected personnel were invited to convert to Department of Army Civilian (DAC) status and to continue providing Engineering, Geographic, Geological, and Natural and/or Man-made Features Socio-Political-Cultural analyses type assignments. A Specialist E- 4 (i.e. “2-Striper”) with an appropriate degree was often eligible for a GS-7 or GS-9 DAC slot after the 2-year active duty experience. The three

person staff of PEC-T had become acquainted during and after their service roles at USAMSFE. The Team was composed of: PE – Francesco (Frank) Calabrese, Engineer (Philadelphia, PA); Deputy, William (Bill) Hoerbert, Forester (Illinois); and Deputy, Desmond (Sam) Coffelt, Geographer (California).

In 1959 the 29th Engineer Topo Battalion personnel were in the later stages of support and training to the Royal Thai Survey Department (RTSD) with much of the geodetic control and topographic features field work completed and a strong, skilled Thai staff in place and evolving. The Senior U.S. Army Civilian, by rank and age was moving into retirement, so a younger group was to be assigned and the base of operations moved to Cambodia to be focused on that country, Vietnam and Laos. Further, it was decided that U.S. Military personnel would attract hostile attention in the countries to be mapped so Filipino Geodetic Survey Firms were contracted for field work in the former French Indo China countries. Thailand would be supported on a reduced level of effort, and proved to also be an excellent “R & R” retreat for the new Team! The new Team set up shop by negotiating a long-term rental agreement for a sixth (6th) floor suite at the Sukhalay Hotel in the “heart of Phnom Penh”; something that might have been disallowed at a later point in time! But there was no room for the Team at the U.S. Embassy where the local U.S. Army attaché formed the PEC-T’s sponsor for maintaining cognizance of US Army Personnel in-country, for storing classified material(s) and as a communication node for “TWX” traffic with the USAMSFE Tokyo, Headquarters.

Calabrese and Hoerbert took up “residence” in the 6th floor living/office suite at the Sukhalay. Coffelt drew the short straw and went off to set up shop in Vientiane, Laos. As it turned out the “short straw” proved to also lead to the “short tour”! – By the end of 1959 the Pathet Lao had forced a full U.S. evacuation from Laos, and on a 24-hour notice and one foot locker of classified materials Sam came to Cambodia to share in that country, Vietnam and Thailand activities, but he seemed to be a “magnet” for Coups! Within 2 weeks after he deployed to Saigon, Vietnam there was a failed Coups attempt when a couple of Rogue SVN Air Force pilots attacked the SVN Presidential Palace. But this time Sam remained in place and the field geodetic, topographic and engineering support to both the local “Geographiques du Cambodge et du Vietnam” went forward for the next several years with somewhat mixed outcomes as hostilities increased.



[PEC-T: Calabrese: Status of Surveys, Cambodia for USARPAC Officials , w/Filipino Contractor PM]

Bill and Sam both completed long, dedicated service ultimately in the Washington D.C area with the U.S. Army Map Service and its DMA successor organization. Frank spent 3 years with the Chief’s Office, Corps of Engineers, Directorate of T&ME plus a short tour during the formative months of DIA-MC&G-5 (PMO-Diercks-Andregg - Kingsley) then left Civil Service in 1965. Yet a large portion of 25 years in the Corporate Contractor world continued his direct support to M&G, IS&R and C&C Systems activities at U & S Commands. An Adjunct Professorship from 1997-2013 in the Master’s and Doctorate programs at the George Washington University, School of Engineering, in Engineering Management and Systems Engineering led to his own 2000 dissertation in the field of Knowledge and Innovation Management, and the role of Managing Director for GWU’s Institute of Knowledge and Innovation (IKI).

In what may prove to be the Capstone phase of his career Calabrese supported a Colleague who was teaching at the Bangkok University (BU), assisting him in chartering BU’s, IKI-SEA Institute in 2008 and then in 2010 forming a PhD-KIM Research program with a joint degree from BU and the Telecom Ecole de Management in France. He has been a Professor at BU since 2011 teaching in that PhD program, concurrent with his GWU Adjunct activities. In this 5th year of the PhD program the current class of 17 students come from Thailand, Vietnam and a large number

from the Faculty of a Philippines University who participate via Virtual Telecast in the year long program to be followed by the mandatory PhD Dissertation. Meanwhile back on the USA home front the GWU-IKI Institute was “graduated” out of the University in 2013 and Incorporated in Virginia in 2014 as a Non-Profit, by Founder and Executive Director, Calabrese. This latest incarnation, the International Institute for Knowledge and Innovation (I²KI) is a coalition of 13 (and growing) like-minded entities. In the latest expansion I²KI joined a Singapore managed KM Global Network [KMGN] that in September 2015 celebrated the “formal affiliation” of nine (9) Country IKI type organizations: Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong, Australia, USA (I²KI), India, Russia, France and Japan.



This muggy, rainy day in Thailand stirs one to contemplate “.....so...what connects 2015 to 1959.....?.... and even many years before?” **More than nostalgia!!**

In 2015 the decades long ASEAN [Association of SE Asia Nations will formally charter itself as the AEC [Asia Economic Community ---Australia, Brunei , Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam]. The connection really starts with the historic USA Global Mapping and Geodesy Community that is so deeply rooted in NGA’s lineage! Many of the AEC Nations were engaged with USA M&G support and products to help them in planning the inventory and development of their national assets for modernization, economic and infrastructure improvements.

What exists today in commerce, transportation, cultural robustness brings a satisfactory sense of closure for the outcomes from some of those efforts of our youthful years. And the benefits accrue mutually for those of us who actively participated and learned “up close and personal” in the spirit of multinational camaraderie at a formative period of personal and professional development. Let us hope that both today’s NGA leadership and staff, and that of future generations, will never be “boxed in” or constrained by great technology to the exclusion of the human experience!

Satellites take great pictures and you can produce some amazing “cartographic images “! But they can’t create the emotional satisfaction and lifetime sense of global bonding that comes from shared “experiential learning and achievement”-- shoulder to shoulder and face to face!

Pam Troutman will be selling her jewelry at the Occoquan Arts & Craft Show on September 26 & 27. For details about the show, visit <http://occoquancraftshow.com/>.



Pam’s tent will be located in front of ART A La Carte Gallery, 310 Mill Street. Hope to see you there.

IN LOVING MEMORY

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William T. Riordan of Lake St. Louis, Missouri, died Sunday, September 13, at the age of 92. He was the husband of the late Adeline Riordan; son of the late James and Jule Riordan; father of Linda (Wayne) Watson, Rick (Michelle) Riordan, and Kim (Jock) Gibbs; grandfather of Shawn Ray, Kyle (Paul) Chandler, Suzanne Riordan, Nicholas (Danielle) Riordan, and the late Daniel P. Riordan; and great-grandfather of Amber Ray, Daniel, Grace and Alice Riordan. Known mostly as "Bill" to friends, he was also "Gaucho" to veterans with whom he served as a combat I.S. Navy pilot in World War II and throughout his military career until his retirement in 1967.

Afterwards he continued to serve his country as a civilian employee of Defense Mapping Agency (DMA). His first position in DMA was as Technical Director of the DMA Aerospace Center in St. Louis, when DMA was established in 1972. He later transferred to the position of Deputy Director for Programs, Production and Operations at Headquarters, DMA, in Washington, DC. Mr. Riordan was then promoted to and retired from the position of Deputy Director for Management and Technology, HQ DMA, the senior civilian position of the Agency.

All who knew Bill Riordan admired his courage and professionalism, his utter devotion to family and friends, and his devout faith. Visitation was held at Baue Funeral and Memorial Center, 3950 West Clay Street, St. Charles, MO. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Dardenne Prairie, Mo. Interment was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

The family requests that memorials or expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to either the **Lt. Daniel P. Riordan Scholarship Fund** at Vianney High School

(<http://www.ltdanriordan.com/donations.htm>) or to the **Knight Alzheimer's Disease Research Center** (http://alzheimer.wustl.edu/About_Us/Donate.htm)



RICHARD RAINIER RANDALL, PhD "Dick" (Age 89) On Saturday, March 14, 2015 of Washington, DC, beloved husband of 52 years to Patricia Spencer Randall; loving father of Allison Randall Beuker, Washington, DC, Susan Randall Birusingh, Sacramento, CA and Richard Rainier Randall, Jr., Pittsburgh, PA; and devoted grandfather to Lily Beuker, Felix Beuker, Hazel Beuker, Kumari Birusingh and Truman Birusingh. Dr. Randall was born in Toledo, Ohio July 21, 1925 and moved to Washington, DC in 1936 when his father was appointed advisor to the US National Resources Board by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Randall served with the 94th Infantry Division during World War II in European Theatre of Operations and was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Bronze Star, and four Battle Stars. He received an AB (1948) and MA (1949) in Geography from the George Washington University and a PhD (1955) in Geography from Clark University. Randall studied geography at the University of Graz in Austria in 1953-54 as a Fulbright scholar. Randall worked for the Central Intelligence Agency from 1955 to 1961 first specializing in editorial work in its Geography Division and later as an eastern-European specialist. In 1961 he became the Washington representative for Rand McNally and Company. In 1969 he designed the first series of maps showing the world's oceans and water bodies for inclusion in its major world atlas, the Cosmopolitan Atlas. From 1973 until his retirement in 1993, he worked as Geographer for the Defense Mapping Agency (now the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency) and served as the Executive Secretary of the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. He remained an active member of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping, the American Geographical Society, the Association of American Geographers, the Cosmos Club, and the Explorers Club. In 2001 Dr. Randall published "Place Names: How They Define the World and More." Growing up in a family that loved music, he developed a passion of his own. Singing was an important part of his everyday life and a constant accompaniment to his characteristically buoyant demeanor. He cherished all things humorous and clever and freely shared poems, puns, amusing anecdotes, songs, and puzzles. A lifelong learner, he was fascinated by the world and the people in it. He relished meeting new people, learning about their lives, sharing his experience, and exchanging ideas. In addition to cherishing his family, friends and associates, he was actively engaged in his community. Whether Washington, DC and the Cleveland Park neighborhood where he and his wife lived since 1966, or the West Virginia farmlands where they own a family retreat, he absorbed all he could about history, points of interest, and local issues. He was a dedicated member of the Cleveland Park Congregational Church for more than 40 years. Memorial Service was held at the Cleveland Park Congregational Church, 3400 Lowell Street Northwest, Washington, DC. In his memory, donations may be made to Friendship Place, 202-364-1419 (<http://friendshipplace.org>) and the Cleveland Park Congregational Church Music Fund, 202-363-8211. Published in The Washington Post on Mar. 29, 2015



Col. Robert Bennett King, Jr. On August 22, 2015, Col. Robert Bennett King Jr., passed away in Sugar Land, TX, at the age of 86. In his retirement years, Robert was a resident of Middleburg, VA. He is survived by his beloved wife, Christina H. King of 56 years. He is also survived by his two other brothers, Bill King and wife Ilze, and George King; his two sons, Christian King and wife Maeve, and Ira and wife Sandra; and three grandchildren, Alexander, Cara, and Ericka, all whom will miss him dearly.

Colonel King was to be interred in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA at a later date. In his memory, donations may be made to Houston Hospice at(<http://www.houstonhospice.org/>). A guest register may be found at:www.settegastkopf.com Please access the following link for additional information, including a complete obituary, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/RobertBennettKing>.
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In June we learned of the death of our longtime member and friend, **Lee Banjanin**, in Florida. No other information was available. Please keep his wife, Nancy, in your thoughts and prayers.

We were saddened to learn of the death of **Jim Fitzsimmons**, husband of longtime member **Sheila (Martin) Fitzsimmons**, in June 2015. Jim and Sheila retired in 1999 and moved to North Hutchinson Island, Florida. Our condolences